

# TWENTY-NINTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, February 12, 1889.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor Wheeler in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

On motion of Senator Townsend,

The reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

The President gave notice of signing and did sign in open session of the Senate

Senate bill No. 74, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend title 34, chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes."

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Sims:

Petition of citizens of Shackelford county asking repeal of occupation tax.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Seale:

Petition from citizens of Newton county asking to be relieved from the operation of the game law.

Referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Frank:

Petition of citizens of Erath county asking repeal of occupation tax law.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Jarvis:

Petition of citizens of Tarrant county asking repeal of occupation tax law.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Glasscock:

Petition from citizens of Williamson county asking repeal of occupation tax law.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Burney:

Memorial from officers and citizens of Menard county, protesting against the passage of House bill No. 63, so far as it affects Menard county.

Referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Burges:

Petition of citizens of Blanco county against bill concerning elections as to county sites.

Referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

By Senator Sims:

Resolutions of Eastland County Alliance, recommending that the Legislature take immediate action to investigate laws creating the corporation known as the Houston and Texas Central railway company, and the land grants made to it, etc.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Townsend:

Petitions from the citizens of Long Point, Bernardo, Bernardo Prairie, Hempstead, Shelby, Sandies, Schulenburg, New Ulm, San Antonio, Brenham, Paige, Frelsburg, Paris, Columbus, Fredricksburg, Tyler, New Braunsfels, Ysleta, Industry, Fayette county, Weimar, Fayetteville, New Baden, Rose Hill, LaGrange, Alleyton and Travis county, asking that the tax for the retail of native wine be placed at the same as the tax for the sale of beer.

By Senator Johnson:

Communication from Hon. W. S. Herndon, relating to the subject of railways in Texas and their control.

Referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By Senator Pope:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 141, entitled "An act to amend article 4247, title 84, chapter 10, Revised Statutes," regulating railroads,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

POPE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 159, entitled "An act to be entitled an act to amend articles 587 and 589 of the Revised Statutes, regulating private corporations,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it

back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be considered in connection with Senate bill No. 106, on same subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

POPE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 156, entitled "An act to be entitled an act to amend articles 4115 and 4118, title 84, chapter 3, Revised Statutes, regulating railroads,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be considered in connection with Senate bill No. 208 on same subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

POPE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 189, entitled "An act to amend article 4256 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, and to regulate passenger fare on railroads, and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be considered in connection with Senate bill No. 5, on same subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

POPE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

By Senator Townsend:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 12, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom was referred

House bill No. 439, entitled "An act to authorize the Governor to extend further time to the Capitol Furnishing Board, expert and engineer, provided for by an act of the special session of the Twentieth Legislature, approved May 17, 1888,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

TOWNSEND,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

By Senator Abercrombie:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 238, entitled "An act to amend article 808, chapter 4, title 9 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, so as to make fines and forfeitures payable in county scrip,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ABERCROMBIE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

House bill No. 33, entitled "An act to amend article 638, chapter 3, title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, and an act of the Seventeenth Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 5, 1881, relating to malicious mischief and providing a penalty therefor,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the accompanying committee substitute do pass:

CAPTION OF COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE.

A bill to be entitled "An act to add articles 689 and 689a to chapter 3, title

17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ABERCROMBIE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 220, entitled "An act to amend article 218 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas" so that any person convicted of a misdemeanor or petty offense, and afterward hired out or put to work on the manual labor farm or public improvements of the county, who shall escape from the parties in whose custody he is placed, shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding two years, and during the term of such imprisonment he may again be committed to labor as provided by law,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment, to-wit: Amend by striking out section 2 of the bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ABERCROMBIE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 246, entitled "An act to amend chapter 3, title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto article 684a,"

Which provides for the punishment of any person who shall hunt or fish within the enclosed lands of another, without the consent of the owner, by a fine of not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars and imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding one year,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ABERCROMBIE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 233, entitled "An act to amend article 685, chapter 5, title 8, of the Code of Criminal Procedure," which bill provides that it shall not be necessary in criminal actions for the defendant to except to any error in the charge of the court at the time of trial,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ABERCROMBIE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 146, entitled "An act to amend article 798 and to repeal article 799, chapter 18, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas,"

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the accompanying committee substitute do pass.

The substitute seeks to amend the above articles so that all persons who shall have committed an offense in any other country, State or Territory, which, if committed in this State, would have been robbery, theft or embezzlement, or receiving of stolen goods, knowing the same to have been stolen, and shall bring into this State any property obtained in such manner, shall be deemed guilty of robbery, theft, embezzlement, or of receiving stolen property, knowing the same to have been stolen, as the case may be, and shall be punished as if the offense had been committed in this State.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ABERCROMBIE,  
Chairman.

Bill read first time.

(Senator McDonald, president pro tem., in the chair.)

By Senator Davis:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 12, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 74, being "An act to amend title 34, chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes,"

And find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his signature.

DAVIS,  
Chairman.

(The President in the chair.)

By Senator Maetze:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Committee on Rules, to whom was referred

Resolution offered by Senator Johnson with reference to admitting persons on the floor of the Senate,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MAETZE,  
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

Your Committee on Rules, to whom was referred

Resolution offered by Senator Maetze to change rule 55 of the Rules of Order of the Senate of Texas,

Have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report back to the Senate the following substitute with the recommendation that it do pass:

Rule 55. After a question shall have been decided in the affirmative or negative, any member voting with the prevailing side, may on the same day in which the vote was taken (or on either of the next two days of actual session thereafter) move the reconsideration thereof. When a bill, resolution, report, amendment, order or message, upon which the vote was taken, shall have gone out of the pos-

session of the Senate, and been communicated to the House of Representatives, the motion to reconsider shall be accompanied by a motion to request the House to return the same; which last motion shall be acted upon immediately, and if determined in the negative, shall be a final disposition of the motion to reconsider.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MAETZE,  
Chairman.

Senator Maetze, by unanimous consent of the Senate, called up Senator Johnson's resolution just reported.

Senator Pope moved to Amend so as not to apply to persons invited by Senators.

Adopted.

Senator Lane moved to table the resolution as amended.

Lost by the following vote:

YEAS—12.

Abercrombie,	Johnson,
Armistead,	Lane,
Burges,	McDonald,
Davis,	Morris,
Ingram,	Townsend,
Jarvis,	Upshaw.

NAYS—14.

Allen,	Maetze,
Atlee,	Pope,
Burney,	Seale,
Clalborne,	Simkins,
Frank,	Sims,
Glasscock,	Stephens,
Kimbrough,	Tyler.

ABSENT—3.

Cranford,	Woodward.
Harrison,	

The resolution as amended was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—11.

Allen,	Pope,
Atlee,	Seale,
Clalborne,	Simkins,
Frank,	Sims,
Kimbrough,	Stephens.
Maetz,	

NAYS—15.

Abercrombie,	Johnson,
Armistead,	Lane,
Burges,	McDonald,
Burney,	Morris,
Davis,	Townsend,
Glasscock,	Tyler,
Harrison,	Upshaw.
Jarvis,	

## ABSENT—3.

Cranford,  
Ingram,

Woodward.

On motion of Senator McDonald, by unanimous consent of the Senate, Senator Maetze's resolution, with committee substitute, amending rule No. 55 of the Senate, was laid before the Senate.

Senator McDonald offered the following substitute:

After a question shall have been decided in the affirmative or negative, any member who voted with the prevailing side may, during the day on which the vote was taken, or within the next succeeding day of actual session, move the reconsideration thereof. When a bill, resolution, message, report, amendment or motion upon which the vote was taken shall have gone out of the possession of the Senate and been communicated to the House, the motion to reconsider shall be accompanied by a motion to request the House to return the same, which last motion shall be acted upon immediately, and, if determined in the negative, shall be a final disposition of the motion to reconsider.

Senator Simkins offered the following amendment to the original resolution:

Amend by striking out the word "immediately" in resolution.

Senator Lane moved to recommit the resolution, with amendments.

Lost by the following vote:

## YEAS—12.

Abercrombie,  
Burgess,  
Glasscock,  
Harrison,  
Ingram,  
Lane,Morris,  
Pope,  
Simkins,  
Stephens,  
Townsend,  
Tyler.

## NAYS—14.

Allen,  
Armistead,  
Atlee,  
Burney,  
Claiborne,  
Davis,  
Frank,Jarvis,  
Johnson,  
Maetze,  
McDonald,  
Seale,  
Sims,  
Upshaw.

## ABSENT—3.

Cranford,  
Kimbrough,

Woodward.

Senator Simkins' amendment to the original resolution was adopted.

Senator McDonald's substitute was lost.

Senator Lane moved to reconsider the vote by which Senator Simkins' amendment was adopted.

Lost.

Senator McDonald moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the word "taken" in line 3 down to and including the word "hereafter" in line 4, and inserting instead thereof the following: "Or within the next succeeding day of actual session."

Senator Townsend moved the previous question.

Seconded, and

The main question was ordered.

Senator McDonald's amendment was adopted.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The following messages were received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
AUSTIN, February 12, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

SIR—The House has passed House bill No. 334, a bill to be entitled "An act to prescribe the times for holding the terms of the district court in the Forty-first judicial district, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith,"

Under a suspension of the rules and by a two-thirds vote, there being, yeas, 90; nays, none.

W. M. IMBODEN,  
Chief Clerk of the House.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
AUSTIN, February 12, 1889.

*Hon. T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:*

SIR—I beg leave to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the report of the free conference committee on the differences between the two houses on the Senate resolution providing for the appointment of a joint committee to visit the institutions of learning.

Also, the House has adopted the report of the free conference committee on the differences between the two houses on substitute House bill No. 15, "An act to be entitled an act to amend article 486 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas."

Messrs. McGaughey, Fields and Selman have been appointed on the committee to visit the North Texas

Insane Hospital at Terrell on the part of the House.

W. M. IMBODEN,  
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senator Abercrombie withdrew the motion entered by himself to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed

Senate bill No. 55, "An act to provide for the speedy and efficient enforcement of liens of mechanics, contractors, builders and material men."

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Kimbrough:

*Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring,* That the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds is hereby directed to distribute between the various State institutions such of the old furniture of the Capitol as may be needed by them, such distribution to be proportionally and fairly made, as far as possible, and only on application of the authorities having charge of State institutions.

Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Senator Simkins, by request:

A bill to be entitled "An act to provide for instruction on the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and narcotics upon the human system in the schools of the State."

Referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Simkins:

A bill to be entitled "An act to establish county academies to teach industrial training, and make appropriations therefor."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Senator Burney:

A bill to be entitled "An act to validate certain surveys which for any reason might be deemed invalid, and to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents therefor."

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

By Senator Morris:

A bill to be entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled an act to create a bureau of agriculture for the State of Texas and to add it to the Department of Insurance, Statistics and History, to properly designate said department and its head, and to prescribe the duties belonging to it relating to agriculture, passed by the

Twentieth Legislature and approved April 1, 1887."

Referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

The President referred

House bill No. 334 to Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senator Simkins moved to have the Journal of February 8 corrected on page 218 in Senator Kimbrough's amendment to read "page three" instead of five; same correction in his amendment following Senator Kimbrough's, and to correct his last amendment on said page 218, so as to strike out "or his agent" instead of "agent."

Journal corrected.

The President submitted the following communication from the Governor:

AUSTIN, February 11, 1889.

*His Excellency, L. S. Ross, Governor of Texas:*

DEAR SIR—The undersigned will enter into contract to drill an artesian well at the State capitol grounds for four thousand dollars, to be paid on the completion of the well according to contract. The well shall be of equal capacity to the one recently drilled at the residence of Alfred Grooms near the city of Austin. We would require the State to furnish the necessary steam power and water for use during the time we are at work on the well.

Respectfully,

HUGH MCGILLNAY,  
THOMAS HELM.

Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Substitute for Senate bills Nos. 79 and 91, a bill to be entitled "An act amendatory of and supplementary to title LXXXVII, chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, from article 4359 to 4390 inclusive, and the acts amendatory thereof passed at the called session of the Eighteenth Legislature, chapter XI, approved February 2, 1884, and chapter XIII, approved February 5, 1884, chapter XXIX, approved February 7, 1884, and acts of the Nineteenth Legislature, page 92, chapter 202, approved March 31, 1885, and to repeal all of chapter 2, title LXXXVII pertaining to roads and bridges, and to authorize the commissioners' court to levy a tax and issue bonds to repair and improve the public roads of their respective counties, and to create a sinking fund to pay the same, and to

authorize the commissioners' court to order elections to ascertain if any county or subdivision thereof are willing to be taxed to improve and keep in repair their public roads, and to repeal all laws or parts of laws not therein excepted which are in conflict with this act,"

Being the pending business, was submitted to the Senate.

Senator Burney moved to

Amend article 4375 by striking out the words "to act for such owner," in line 12.

Adopted.

Senator Frank moved to

Amend article 4376, line 4, by striking out the word "day" after the word "regular" and insert the word "term" in lieu thereof.

Adopted.

Senator Stephens moved to

Amend article 4377 by adding thereto the words: "Provided, that any public road heretofore laid out, opened and used as a public road of any class by any county in this State for three consecutive years next before the passage of this act be and the same is hereby declared to be a legal public road of such class, and all acts of such county court in laying out such road and condemning the land used therefor shall be and the same is hereby in all things validated, and the owner of such land is hereby precluded from ever calling into question the validity of such condemnation in any of the counties of this State."

Lost.

Senator Burney moved to

Amend article 4377 by inserting in line 11, after the word "opened," the following:

"Provided, the amount of damages allowed by the commissioners' court shall have been deposited as herein provided for."

Adopted by the following vote:

#### YEAS—19.

Abercrombie,	Kimbrough,
Allen,	Maetze,
Atlee,	Morris,
Burney,	Seale,
Davis,	Simkins,
Frank,	Sims,
Glasscock,	Townsend,
Harrison,	Tyler,
Ingram,	Upshaw.
Jarvis,	

#### NAYS—3.

Claiborne,	Stephens.
Lane,	

#### ABSENT—7.

Armistead,  
Burgess,  
Cranford,  
Johnson,

McDonald,  
Pope,  
Woodward.

Senator Burney moved to  
Amend article 4378 by inserting after the word "accrued" in line 10, the following: "after notice of appeal has been given."

Adopted.

Senator Upshaw moved to  
Amend article 4378 by inserting the word "as" instead of "of" in line 13, after the word "capacity."

Adopted.

Senator Sims moved to  
Amend by striking out all in article 4376, pages 8 and 9.

(Senator Townsend in the chair.)

(The President in the chair.)

Senator Sims' amendment was lost.  
Senator Burgess moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Lost.

Senator Harrison moved to  
Amend article 4382 by striking out in lines 8 and 9 the words: "May in their judgment, if necessary," and insert therefor the word "shall."

Lost.

Senator Townsend moved to  
Amend by striking out in article 4382, in line 8, all after the words "worked upon," down and including the balance of the section.

Adopted by the following vote:

#### YEAS—14.

Allen,  
Armistead,  
Atlee,  
Burgess,  
Burney,  
Davis,  
Harrison,

Ingram,  
Jarvis,  
Maetze,  
McDonald,  
Morris,  
Seale,  
Townsend.

#### NAYS—9.

Abercrombie,  
Claiborne,  
Frank,  
Glasscock,  
Kimbrough,

Lane,  
Stephens,  
Tyler,  
Upshaw.

#### ABSENT—6.

Cranford,  
Johnson,  
Pope,

Simkins,  
Sims,  
Woodward.

Senator Allen moved to amend article 4380:

Strike out in lines 5 and 6 the words "free of obstructions at the top," and substitute the words "there shall be no obstruction at the top lower than twelve feet."

Senator Lane made the point of order that the Senate had adopted a motion to consider the bill by sections, and that article 4382 was being considered.

On motion of Senator Upshaw,  
The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock  
a. m. to-morrow.

### THIRTIETH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, February 13, 1889.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor Wheeler in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

On motion of Senator Upshaw,  
The reading of the Journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

The President gave notice of signing, and did sign in open session of the Senate, the following bills:

Senate bill No. 22, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 2, title 96, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding thereto article 46-6a, providing for the assessment of live stock in pastures in the several counties in which such pastures are situated."

Senate bill No. 69, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 507, chapter 11, of the Revised Civil Statutes, so as to provide for the incorporation of towns and villages situated on both sides of a line dividing two counties," and

Senate bill No. 112, "An act to reorganize the Thirty-first, Thirty-second and Thirty-ninth judicial districts and to create the Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh judicial districts of the State of Texas, to fix the time for holding courts therein, and to provide for the appointment and election of judges and district attorneys in the Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh judicial districts and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Tyler:

Petition of M. T. Skinner of Hamilton county, asking to be relieved from the payment of peddler's licence, on account of being totally blind.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Atlee:

Petition of citizens of Duval county asking for an increase of appropriation for the ranger service and that an adequate force of rangers be continued for duty in the counties comprising the Twenty-eighth judicial district for protection of the people and the stock interests of the district.

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of citizens of Duval county, asking that the office of inspector of hides and animals for Duval county be abolished.

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stockraising.

By Senator Glasscock:

Petition of Colonel J. K. Holland in reference to important relics of history of the State of Texas.

Referred to Committee on Insurance, Statistics and History.

By Senator Seale:

Petition from citizens of Polk county for a railroad commission bill.

Referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Sims:

Petition of citizens and teachers of Coleman county, asking that occupation tax on all honorable occupations be repealed.

Referred to Finance Committee.

The Senate was notified by the Governor of the appointment of the following notaries public:

### TARRANT COUNTY.

Fort Worth—George W. Finger, P. D. Wyatt, D. S. Brown, W. S. Essex, R. Y. Prigmore, J. C. Scott, G. W. Alexander, Wilson Gregg, H. T. Smith, Thomas P. Martin, George Mulkey, John F. Zinn, J. D. Ballard, James Harrison, J. C. Terrell, jr., John F. Swayne, Frank M. Maple, Irby Dunklin, C. E. Trice, A. R. Mabry, J. S. Owsley, L. B. Imboden, T. J. Powell.